

order. Though small, it is a rich treat to wander through its alleys and gaze upon the botanical treasures there displayed. The Sandwich Islands are well represented,—Kalo, Koa, Ki, Ohia, Hala, and other ornaments of your gardens and forests are here in abundance. The magnificent Cactus *Triangularis*, which blooms so richly in front of Mr. C.'s residence, at Honolulu, has not done well. I brought home a specimen which grows finely, and is esteemed a great rarity, though it has not yet bloomed. I trust it will, for then it will be a rival to the night blooming *Cereus* of our conservatories, which is valued more than fine gold, and parties given in honor of its flowering.

Haalilio met with some attention while here. The autograph hunting ladies were particularly desirous of obtaining him; but I believe he did not feel much flattered by their solicitations. He was not used to being a lion, and chafed somewhat under it. He said there were two men that he was afraid of—John Quincy Adams, and Daniel Webster. The dark, piercing eye of the latter, he quailed before—and well he might when its scrutinizing gaze was full upon him. But enough for this time.

Yours faithfully,

WAKEBY.

We have been much gratified in examining the beautiful billiard table lately put up by our worthy townsman, "mine host" of the Mansion House. It reflects great credit upon the taste of the proprietor, Mr. F. W. Thompson, and no less upon the skill and ingenuity of the artisans, Messrs. Wood, Roberts & Parke. It is really a superb affair—Call all and see it.

The mercantile business of Honolulu has been unusually active within a few weeks past. We counted eleven merchantmen in our harbor, at once. A fact, we believe unprecedented in the commercial annals of this town.

We are much gratified in seeing such valuable productions as the statistical documents on which Dr. R. C. Wyllie has bestowed so much labor and attention, published here and cordially commend it to the attention of our readers. The average passages from Boston, we should judge to be too long if it includes those only that come direct. We presume the average for them would fall ten to fourteen days short of the 153 given for the general average. We have also to thank the Editor of the Friend for his courtesy in sending us a file of his interesting paper, and we shall take much pleasure in reciprocating the compliment.

The first number of our paper is issued and distributed as a specimen of its general plan, and style of execution. Those who intend favoring us with their subscriptions, will, we trust, do so promptly, that the number of copies to be struck off may be regulated.

Translated from the French, for the Polynesian.

EXTRACT OF A LETTER FROM TAHITI.

You have doubtless ere this heard of the intrigues of Mr. Pritchard and others to excite opposition on the part of the Chiefs of some of our Districts, and that an engagement has taken place between the French and the natives, in which, two Frenchmen and six Indians were killed and some twenty wounded. This affair was near becoming very serious. In all probability the Indians would have been subdued, but at the expense of the lives of many Frenchmen, when by a lucky step I succeeded in restoring order without much effusion of blood. Already a large number of the people have returned to their homes and the chiefs will come forward to make their submission on Monday.

This will be the end of all the English intrigues since this people will distrust them hereafter; and all that they have done will not prove a hindrance to the French Government but on the contrary, it is certain to result in our good. We shall be better able to command and the people will be more submissive. Hence all is for the best. I would observe to you in passing, that all those who

have declared for us have remained faithful. This people are more steadfast in their fidelity, possessed of more courage and virtue than they have received credit for. Notwithstanding all this, civilization kills them.

The Queen is still on board the British Ketch. I foresee the moment when they will not know what to do with her, and will put her upon some island. They do not consider her sufficiently important to trouble themselves on her account. After all, the conduct of the British Agents has been somewhat wanting in wisdom in regard to this matter. The play is not worth the candle; also they will not be sanctioned by their own government, and it is taking trouble without the prospect of advantage.

One word to our friends who may favor us with their job printing. We shall do all work of that nature at the lowest rates we can afford; but it cannot be done at our press on the same terms that it has been done at the Mission Press, for our rent, hire, cost of materials, etc. are all higher than theirs. They printed work foreign to their office only as an accommodation, and at barely remunerating prices. We look to it as to a business and must either derive from it a reasonable profit, or let it alone, and we think that any reasonable person will be satisfied with our charges, when he has learned the cost of the work. At all events, we shall do our best, to accommodate our friends, and we assure them that our advance upon the cost of such jobs at the rates in the United States, is but small when compared with the advance here upon goods, labor, and living in general, as they are at home.

We are indebted to the columns of the Friend, of May 1st, for the following letter, which will be read with interest by those who are familiar with the history of the Pitcairn Islanders:—

PITCAIRN'S ISLAND, Jan. 11, 1844.

Rev. S. C. DAMON, Sea. Chap.

Dear Sir,—Your letter to me dated Sept. 29, 1843, and forwarded by Capt. Richmond, is now in my possession, and I am about to comply with your wishes. The magistrate or chief ruler is chosen yearly, by the people. On the first of Jan. all the inhabitants that are eligible to vote, (from 18 years old and upward,) give in their votes for a magistrate or councillor. After the magistrate is chosen, he has the privilege of choosing an assistant if he pleases. It is his duty to hear all grievances, assemble the people together, to state the object of the meeting, hear the complainant and the defendant, and commit the case to a jury of seven persons; whatever the jury decide, he is to see it executed. As regards religion, I am sorry to say it is very low. Trade and traffic are all the go at present. There are some who still regard religion; and family worship morning and evening is still kept up by the major part of the families, and public service twice on the Sabbath-day; but, alas! public school and weekly meetings for perusing the scriptures, are entirely given up, by the whole inhabitants; so I may safely say religion is on a decline. In the days of the venerable Mr. John Adams, all the duties were strictly regarded. O for such a man as he was, to start us on afresh. The next thing you desire to know is the produce of the Island; to which, I reply,—yams, sweet-potatoes, Irish ditto, onions, plantains, corn, &c.; fruits of various kinds, such as cocoa-nuts, oranges, pine-apples, &c.; animal food,—hogs, goats, ducks, &c. I mention these, in particular, that I may be able to inform you of their different prices—say yams, \$2 per bbl.; sweet-potatoes, \$2 per ditto; Irish ditto, \$3 per ditto; onions, \$3 per ditto; plantains, four bunches per dollar; cocoa-nuts, \$2 per hundred. Fruits, no fixed price—hogs and goats the same. Fowls, \$3 per dozen. In exchange,—cotton cloth, (white and blue,) price twenty-five cents per yard; calicoes, of various kinds, price according to the quality; cotton shirts, both coarse and fine, price according to the quality; tea, fish-hooks and all kinds of earthen ware, knives of all kinds, soap, &c. No vessels are owned by the people. No proper school-master, and no appointed minister, are among us. As to your last request, I am not able to inform you aright; but I believe the government here is supported by the British government. Write to me as often as you can, and believe me to be,

Your most obedient and

Humble servant.

ARTHUR QUINTAL, JR.

Imports.

Feb. 26—per *Chenamus*, from Newburyport.—18 bbls tar and pitch, 25 cases dry goods, 5 cooking stoves, 175 boxes soap, 295 bbls boxes etc provisions, 3 boxes furniture, 6 bbls wine, 163 ft oars, 2000 lbs white lead, 56 1-2 m shingles, 109 galls linseed oil etc to master.

Feb. 28—per *Columbia*, from Ft Vancouver, Oregon.—1567 spars and rafters, 297 planks, etc; 190 bbls flour, 3 lbs butter, to H. B. Company.

Apr. 8—ship *Congaree*, from Boston, 3 pkgs, G. Brown; 3 cases mdze, F. W. T. & Co; 44 do do, S. A. Reynolds; 2 do W. Hooper, 1 do H. Grimes; 1 do, 3 boxes furniture, H. P. Ricker; 12 bbls wine, 5 bbls cigars, 11 kgs paints; 14 cases mdze, 20 csks wine, 5 bbls cigars, 11 kgs paints; 1 iron chest, 1 half pipe cider, S. Reynolds; 39 cases dry goods, 101 pkgs mdze, 63 coils cordage, 35 sides leather, 262 bars etc, iron, 10 boxes mdze, 33 packs canvas, 10 bolts do, 5 bales duck, 2. cases umb., 2 do mdze, 16 boxes sp candles, 12 chests tea, 50 boxes soap, 1145 bbls, half do, boxes, tierces, etc, provisions; 170 baskets and cases wine, 20 pipes and bbls vinegar, 18 cases Florence oil, 69 boxes tobacco and cigars; 46 boxes syrup, salt, mustard, etc; 23 grind-stones, 25 kgs cut nails; 20 boxes, 4 cases hardware; 38 boxes furniture, 14 cases glassware, 1 crate crockery, 597 oars, 50 m ft line lumber, 10 tierces sea coal, 10 m bricks, 40 m shingles, 43 handspikes, 1 ox cart, 4 hand carts, 18 boxes window glass, 5 bbls hot varnish, 5 bales cotton, etc, to C. Brewer & Co.

Apr. 15—per *Julia*, from Tahiti.—30 bags coffee, 130 pes canes; 206 bbls, cases, barrels, wine and spirits; 50 baskets beer, 100 qns H-cut, 11 saddles, 100 qns wire, 7 bales red pants, 30 pictures, 11 cases muslins; 600 pes dry goods, bbls, etc; 22 doz artificial flowers, 12 sets trunks, to Peter Corney.

Apr. 19—per *Ann*, from Tahiti.—2 tons iron hoops, 2 chains and anchors, 13 tierces beef and pork, 50 bbls hams and run, 30 boxes tea; 191 bbls, cases, boxes, wine and beer; 1 case cotton goods, 19 bundles shoals, 19 cans sardines, 20 flkins butter, 1 case slops, 5 kgs powder, to C. Brewer & Co.

Apr. 22—per *Conception*, from Mazatlan.—44 cases blue cottons, C. Brewer & Co; 1 case cotton skins, J. C. Jones.

Apr. 23—per *Brig Brothers*, from London.—119 cases mdze; 4 tierces, 57 csks, 11 boxes, 18 kegs, 39 bales, 25 mats, 9 crates, 14 bundles, mdze; 25 pieces pumps, 22 bbls tar and pitch, 8 anchors, 20 bbls iron, 17 do copper, 6 boats, 1 saddles, to H. B. Company; 1 case, H. Skinner; 3 do, T. C. B. Rooker; 5 do Gen. Miller.

Apr. 26—per *Brig Phoebe*, from Sydney.—50 csks champagne, 20 bbls brandy, 217 cases gin, 87 cases dry goods, 30 csks nails, 2 cases glassware; 11 csks, 17 cases, wine; 576 bales iron, 190 csks ale, 190 kgs paint, to H. Skinner & Co.

Apr. 31—per *Lausanne*, from New York.—323 cases, bundles, etc, to master; 3 boxes to L. Andrews; 150 boxes, 14 currences, 25 bbls, to J. Spaulding; 4 boxes mdze, L. Chamberlain; 26 boxes for Col. R. R. R. 4 bbls, 11 boxes, 10 csks, to comisters, 100 kegs, 4 cases mdze, P. B. Schenckhorn & Luff; 3300 tierces, bbls, cases, boxes, hales, naval stores, for United States Pacific squadron, to U. S. naval store-keeper, Honolulu.

Apr. 29—per *Brig Lafayette*, from Boston.—One tierce apples, dried twenty bbls beef, mess; one hundred and seventy tin boxes crackers, hard; twenty nine csks, do do; one baggy, four wheeled; three cases bams; ten bags coffee, two iron chests; four boxes clocks, six tin cases cheese; one case cayene; twenty six cases chairs; four cases calicoes; twenty two bbls and crates of earthen ware; thirty six cases furniture; seventy five bbls flour; three bbls shoulders and hams; three cases hats; forty three cases and csks glass and trimmings; one bbl lump black; twenty five kegs lard; thirty two kegs lead (white) ground in oil; eighty kegs cut nails; twelve boxes pickles; two hundred and fifty six oars and handspikes; two bbls linseed oil; twenty bbls mess pork; one printing press; twelve boxes printing types; two kegs printing ink; thirty reams printing paper; one hundred and seventy boxes paints; six kegs ground rice; two tierces rice; twelve boxes syrups; one box sugar; one box soda soap, one cooking stove, one bbl epsom salts, one case shoes, one bbl saleratus, saddle, one demitoh wine, thirty nine bbls tar, three boxes tobacco, one bbl do, three cases umbrellas, fifteen coils rigging, two hand carts, four cases books, to J. J. Jarvis. Three cases merchandise to C. Brewer & Co.

May 11—per *Brig Sir J. Byng*, from Sydney.—1000 ft lumber, 37 bbls canvas, Manila rope, 4 bbls pork, 1310 lbs tea, 1700 lbs rice, and ass'd mdze, to supercargo.

Passengers.

Arrived—April 8th, on board Am. ship *Congaree*, Weston, master, from Boston—Mr. J. F. B. Marshall and lady, Mrs. Weston, Miss Marshall, Messrs. J. J. Jarvis, B. H. Penhallow, C. Leffert, Peter Voss, and W. P. Reynolds.

April 18th, on board whale ship *Hannibal*, from New London, Ct., Thomas S. Perkins, Esq.

April 20th, on board brig *Ann*, from Sydney, via Tahiti, Major Low, of Bengal land forces; Messrs. Bastian, Suwerkoop, and Anderson.

April 22d, on board brig *Conception*, Rossum, master, from Mazatlan, J. C. Jones, Esq., and Mr. Joseph Thompson.

April 27th, on board Am. ship *Lausanne*, Spaulding, master, from New York, Rev. Geo. Gray, and lady. Mr. G. is the newly appointed superintendent of the Methodist mission in the Oregon territory.

Messrs. G. W. Whistler, P. B. Schenckhorn, J. Wiley, B. A. Spaulding, and A. A. Luff also, Mr. E. S. Benson, U. S. naval store keeper for this port.

April 26th, on board Eng. brig *Phoebe*, Bennett, master, from Sydney, Mr. Godfrey Rhodes.

April 26th, on board barque *Brothers*, from England, Mr. Roberts and lady.

April 28th, on board brig *Lafayette*, Winchester, master, from Boston, Mr. Geo. Parker.

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE

FOR THE PORT OF HONOLULU.



1844.



ARRIVALS.

Jan. 1—Br. barque *Cacique*, Eldred, from Macao.

12th—Am. whale ship *Caroline*, McKenzie, New Bedford, 13 months out, 500 bbls whale, 27th—Am. whale ship *Corvo*, Pendleton, Stonington, 19 mos, 2300 bbls whale; Fr. whale ship *Fanny*, Duval, Havre, 17 months, 1600 whale, 30th—Am. whale ship *Maria Theresa*, Taber, New Bedford, 19 mos, 2100 whale; Bremen ship *Alexander Barclay*, Fish, 26 months, 2700 whale.

Feb. 1—Am. whale ship *John Jay*, Rogers, Sag Harbor, 14 months, 450 sperm, 1800 whale, 2d—Am. whale ship *Henry Lee*, Bennett, Sag Harbor, 16 months, 120 sperm, 1600 whale, 3d—H. B. M. ship *Hazard*, Bell, from Mazatlan, 6th—Am. whale ship *Ann Mary Ann*, Winters, Sag Harbor, 14 mos, 1200 whale, 13th—H. B. M. ship *Hazard*, Bell, from Maui, 22d—do, ship *Dublin*, Tucker, from Tahiti; do. *Modeste*, Bailey, from Mazatlan; Fr. whale ship *Pallas*, Monroe, Havre, 10 months, 50 sperm, 250 whale, 23d—Am. brig *Chenamus*, Couch, 158 days from Newburyport, 26th—Bremen whale ship *Sophie*, Hoyer, 19 months, 1400 whale, 27th—Br. bark *Columbia*, Humphrey, London, from

Columbia River; H. H. M. sch *Hooikaika*, Micklethwait, from Mazatlan.

March 1st—Am. whale ship *Harrison*, Smith, New Bedford, 30 months, 1150 sperm, 5th—Hawaiian schr *Junita*, Wilson, from California, 9th—Am. whale ship *Ann Alexander*, Tube, New Bedford, 28 1-2 months, 1200 sperm; Am. whale ships *France*, Edwards, Sag Harbor, 8 months, 40 sperm; 750 whale; *Citizen*, Lansing, Sag Harbor, 10 mos, 400 whale; *Uncas*, Gillet, Fairhaven, 6 months, 16th—Am. whale ship *Frances*, Hudson, 43 months, 200 sperm, 20th—Am. whale ship *Ontario*, Green, Sag Harbor, 6 1-2 months, 150 sperm; Fr. Transport ship *Lion*, Bonnet, *Zeideux*, from Tahiti and Marquesas, 21st—Am. whale ships *Holder*, Forden, Pell, Fall River; *Eagle*, Fairhaven, 9 mos, 100 sperm, 50 whale, 24th—Am. whale ship *Braganza*, Waterman, New Bedford, 7 mos, 500 sperm; whale bark *Bayard*, Fordham, Freeport, 6 months, 50 sperm, 10 whale; Bremen whale ship *Gustave*, Norton, 11 months, 60 sperm, 500 whale, 25th—Fr. whale ship *Nancy*, Jay, Havre, 7 months, 65 sperm, 26th—Am. whale ships *Statira*, Adams, New Bedford, 6 months, 120 sperm; *Acushnet*, Pease, Fairhaven, 27 months, 800 sperm, 112 whale, 29th—Am. whale ships *Rosseau*, Brayson, New Bedford, 30 1-2 months, 1360 sperm; *Columbus*, Crocker, New London, 6 months, 40 sperm; *Chelsea*, Potts, New London, 6 1-2 months, 65 sperm; *Roscoe* touched outside harbor, 30th—Am. whale ship *Nimrod*, Sherman, New Bedford, 15 1-2 mos, 120 sperm.

April 1—Am. whale ships *Josephine*, Roys, New Bedford, 5 months, 300 sperm; *Trident*, Black, New Bedford, 9 1-2 months, 100 sperm, 500 whale, 3d—Am. whale barque *Smyna*, Miller, N. Bedford, 27 months, 850 sperm; whale ship *Samuel Robertson*, Warner, 29 1-2 months, 1100 sperm, 5th—Am. whale ships *William Thompson*, Ellis, New Bedford, 17 1-2 months, 700 sperm, 900 whale; *Pantheon*, Borden, Fall River, 15 1-2 months, 25 sperm, 1950 whale; *Palladium*, McLean, New London, 9 months, 300 sperm, 400 whale, 7th—Am. whale ship *Courier*, Marchant, New Bedford, 18 months, 650 sperm; Fr. ship *Meuse*, Rivalau, Havre, Br. ship *Peruvian*, Brooks, St. Johns, 400 sperm, 800 whale, 8th—ship *Congaree*, Weston, 147 days from Boston, 9th—Am. whale ships *Janus*, Turner, New Bedford; *Henry*, Brown, Sag Harbor, 9 mos, 100 sperm, 400 whale; Br. barque *Honolulu*, Saffrey, from Hawaii, 10th—Bremen whale ship *Sophie*, Hoyer, put in leaking; Am. whale ship *Blackstone*, Pendleton, Mystic, 8 months, 400 whale, 100 sperm, 11th—Danish whale ship *Neptune*, Soding, Copenhagen, 120 days from Dover, Eng., no oil, 12th—Fr. barque *Jules*, Simonet, *Bordeaux*, from Valparaiso and Tahiti; Am. whale ships *Euphrates*, Upham, New Bedford, 22 months, 450 sperm, 550 whale; *Benjamin Morgan*, Pendleton, New London, 5 1-2 months; *Hannibal*, Brown, New London, 6 months, Susan Russell, Nantucket, 27 months, 500 sperm; *Metacomb*, Reynolds, New Bedford, 28 mos, 1250 sperm; *Herald*, Morgan, Stonington, 9 months, 150 sperm, 140 whale, 13th—Am. whale ship *Susan*, Howland, New Bedford, 35 months, 900 sperm, 17th—Tahitian brigantine *Ann*, Rollier, from Tahiti; Am. whale ship *Canton*, Ripley, New Bedford, 16 months, 400 sperm, 1500 whale, 18th—Am. whale ship *Cossack*, Delano, Sippican, 6 months, 20th—Am. whale ship *Ansel Gibbs*, West, Fairhaven, 9 months, 350 sperm, 450 whale, Br. barque *Brothers*, Flere, Guernsey, 128 days from London, 22d—Fr. whale ship *Ville de Paris*, Bellot, Havre, 19 months, 1800 whale; *Guatemala* barque *Conception*, Rossum, Lima, 25 days from Mazatlan, 25d—Am. whale ship *Benjamin Tucker*, Sands, New Bedford, 5 mos, 80 sperm, 24th—Am. whale ship *Morse*, Austin, Am. ship *Lausanne*, Spaulding, 144 days from New York, with U. S. Gov't stores to Naval Storekeeper, Fr. whale ship *Nereus*, L. Fremont, Havre, 5 mos, 26th—Br. barque *Indian*, Maughn, London; do. brigantine *Phoebe*, Barner, from Sydney, 29th—Am. brigantine *Lafayette*, Winchester, 157 days from Boston via Tahiti, Chile; 44 days from latter port.

May 8—Br. brig *Sir James Byng*, Megget, from Sydney via Tahiti; 34 days from latter port.

SAILED.

Feb. 8th—H. B. M. ship *Hazard*, Bell, for Maui, 9th—Am. whale ship *Ann Mary Ann*, Winters; to cruise, 22d—Am. whale ships *Maria Theresa*, Taber; *John Jay*, Rogers; *Henry Lee*, Barnett; to cruise, 28th—H. H. M. sch *Hooikaika*, Micklethwait, for Mazatlan.

March 1—Bremen whale ship *Alexander Barclay*, Fish, 2d—H. B. M. ship *Hazard*, for Sydney, 4th—do, ship *Dublin*, Tucker, for Valparaiso, 13th—Am. whale ship *Caroline*; to cruise, Am. brig *Delaware*, Carter, for Valparaiso, 16th—Am. whale ship *Corvo*, Pendleton, 21st—Br. barque *Cacique*, Eldred, for China, 23d—Fr. whale ship *Fanny*, Duval; to cruise, 24th—Am. whale ship *Ontario*, Green; to cruise, 25th—Fr. whale ship *Pallas*, Monroe; Bremen whale ship *Sophie*, Hoyer; to cruise, 27th—Bremen whale ship *Gustave*, Norton; to cruise, 28th—Hawaiian schr *Junita*, Wilson, for California; Am. whale ship *Statira*, Adams; to cruise, 29th—Am. whale ship *Braganza*, Waterman; to cruise, 30th—Am. whale ship *Nimrod*, Sherman; to cruise.

April 2—Am. brig *Chenamus*, Couch, for Columbia river; Br. barque *Columbia*, Humphrey, for Columbia river, 4th—whale ship *Frances*, Hudson, 15th—Am. whale ship *Ansel Gibbs*, West; to cruise, 16th—Am. whale ships *Benjamin Morgan*, Pendleton, to cruise; *Hannibal*, Brown, to cruise; *Susan Howland*, 22d—Danish whale ship *Neptune*, Soding; to cruise, 25th—Am. whale ship *Henry*, Brown; to cruise, 30th—Am. whale ship *Corvo*, Ripley; to cruise.

May 1—Whale ships *Trident*, Black; *Cossack*, Delano; to cruise, 2d—Br. barque *Brothers*, Flere; for Columbia river, 3d—Am. ship *Congaree*, Weston, for Kamschatka and N. W. Coast, 5th—Fr. whale ship *Nereus*, L. Fremont; to cruise, 6th—barque *Indian*, Maughn, 7th—ship *Ville de Paris*, Bellot; brigantine *Lafayette*, Winchester, for Hawaii,

PORT OF LAHAINA.

Arrived—May 9th, *Jeannette*, Mayhew, New Bedford, 24 1-2 months, 1450 sperm, 50 whale, 10th—Young *Eagle*, Lathrop, Nantucket, 5 months, 100 sperm; *Israel*, Finch, New Bedford, 5 months, 20 bbls, 13th—barque *Gem*, Worth, Sag Harbor, 2 months, 800 whale, 14th—Barclay, Barker, Nantucket, 7 months, 140 sperm; *Baltic*, Butler, Fair Haven, 5 months; *Sarah*, Myrick, New-York, 4 months, 50 whale.